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**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace paragraph [0015] with the following amended paragraph:

**[0014]** The internal combustion engine 6 is connected via a drive train 16 to an automotive transmission 18 and can drive the vehicle wheels 20 via this transmission. Additional vehicle wheels 23 [[22]] may be driven in the same way or may be non-driven wheels.

Please replace paragraph [0015] with the following amended paragraph:

**[0015]** The second electric machine 10 is in the drive train 16. When operated as an electric motor, it can drive the vehicle wheels 20 in addition to or instead of the wheels being driven by the internal combustion engine via the automotive transmission 18. Preferably a first shiftable clutch 19 [[18]] and/or a second shiftable clutch 21 is provided in at least one of the two line sections 16-1 and/or 16-2 between the second electric machine 10 and the internal combustion engine 6 and/or this second electric machine 10 and the automotive transmission 18. When the first clutch 19 [[18]] is disengaged and the second clutch 21 is engaged at the same time, the second electric machine 10 (a) may function as an electric motor to transmit electric power from the energy storage mechanism 12 and/or the fuel cell system and to transmit driving torque to the vehicle wheels 20 without entraining the internal combustion engine 6, or (b) may function as an electric generator which is driven by the vehicle wheels 20 to generate electric current which is stored in the energy storage mechanism 12 and/or can be transmitted to auxiliary units 22 and/or 24, or (c) may be operated as an electromagnetic vehicle brake. When the second clutch 21 is disengaged and the

first clutch 19 [[18]] is engaged at the same time, the second electric machine 10 may be (a) driven by the internal combustion engine 6 and thereby generate electric power by functioning as a generator, said electric power being storable in the energy storage mechanism 12 and/or able to be supplied to the secondary units 22 and 24, or (b) used as a starter for starting the internal combustion engine 6.